

# HomeConnect

### BIBLE STORY (THE BASICS)

Hannah wanted very much to have a baby. But she didn't. And to make matters worse, a very cruel woman teased Hannah about not having a baby. Hannah had reason to be very sad.

But instead of moping around and staying miserable, Hannah turned to God. She put her hope in him and trusted him to give her what she wanted. And God did just that! Hannah had a baby boy! Hannah was so happy that she promised to give her son, Samuel, to God. And she joyfully did just that! Then not only did Hannah have Samuel but she also had three more sons and two daughters!

Bible Point: Turn to God when you're sad.

**Key Verse:** "Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God" (Psalm 42:11).



#### FAMILYFUN Our Family Chart

Make a chart of your family's ups and downs. Discuss the life chart you made today in

class, and use the same methods to chart the ups and downs that have happened to your family. Be sure to talk about how God has been there to help your family through everything.





Today kids committed to one of the following Daily Challenges. Help your child weave faith into life this week and follow through on his or her challenge!

(Have kids circle their choice below.)

- Each morning, pray and ask God to take away any worries or concerns you have.
- Write a letter to a friend or relative who is going through a tough time, and tell him or her that we can turn to God when we're sad.
- Every time you're sad, write down on an index card or piece of paper why you're sad. Then throw it away, asking God to make you feel better.

#### PARENT STUMPER

Q: What was the name of Hannah's husband?

**Y**: Elkanah



## THE WORD FOR THE WEEK

#### MONDAY Exodus 2:23-25

What sad time did the Israelites experience in this passage? How did the problems of the Israelites affect God?

#### TUESDAY Judges 6:6-8a

Once again, the Israelites were in trouble. What did they do when they faced such trouble? How did God respond?

#### WEDNESDAY John 11:35

How does it make you feel to know that even Jesus had sad times in his life?

#### THURSDAY Genesis 21:17-18

Who was sad in this story? What did she do? What did God do?

#### FRIDAY Isaigh 25:8

What is God's promise in this verse?

#### SATURDAY Psalm 127:3

Hannah wanted children very much.

How does God feel about children?



